

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (original): Pipe clip comprising an upper part (1) and a lower part (2) encompassing a throughlet opening (3) for a pipe, these two parts (1, 2) being connected with one another on one side via a hinge (4) and on the other side having detachable securing elements (5), characterized in that the upper part (1) and the lower part (2) have each one supporting face (6, 7) directed outwardly and extending parallel, in the lower part (2) a bore (8) is located accessible from the throughlet opening (3), which bore is intended for receiving attachment means (9) between the pipe clip (1, 2) and a carrier element (10), and at least in one side region (11, 12) of the pipe clip a throughbore (13, 14) for receiving an additional connection element between the pipe clip (1, 2) and the carrier element (10) is provided.

Claim 2 (original): Pipe clip as claimed in patent claim 1, characterized in that the detachable securing element (5) on one side of the two parts (1, 2) of the pipe clip is a latching closure and on the lower part (2) or on the upper part (1) a resilient connection element (15) is disposed and, on the other part of the pipe clip, a corresponding retaining part (16).

Claim 3 (currently amended): Pipe clip as claimed in patent claim 1 [[or 2]], characterized in that the lower part (2) has side portions (17, 18) which extend beyond the center axis (19) of the throughlet opening (3) for the pipe in the direction of the

upper part (1).

Claim 4 (currently amended): Pipe clip as claimed in ~~one of patent claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, characterized in that the upper part (1) extends only over a range of less than 180° of the circumference of the throughlet opening (3) for the pipe and an end region (20) of the upper part (1), which includes the hinge (4), is delimited for example by an imaginary plane (21) placed through the longitudinal axis of the throughlet opening (3) for the pipe and the axis (22) of the hinge (4) between the two parts (1, 2) of the pipe clip.

Claim 5 (currently amended): Pipe clip as claimed in ~~one of patent claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, characterized in that both side regions (11, 12) of the pipe clip have each one throughbore (13, 14) for one additional connection element each.

Claim 6 (currently amended): Pipe clip as claimed in ~~one of patent claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, characterized in that several pipe clips can be stacked one above the other and therein the outwardly directed supporting faces (6, 7) between two pipe clips each are in contact on one another as well as the pipe clips are connected with one another by means of at least one connection element inserted through a throughbore (13, 14) in a side region (11, 12) of the pipe clip.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Pipe clip as claimed in ~~one of patent claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, characterized in that in the closed state the pipe clip has a cuboid outer form.